System Recommendations

Windows-Based Stations

Component	Minimum Requirements	Recommendations
Operating System	Specified below	Specified below
• Windows® 95/98/98SE/ME/NT **NOTE:** Windows 95 requires Service Pack 1. **NOTE:** Windows NT® Workstation 4.0 requires Service Pack 5 (or later).	• Processor: Pentium® II @ 233 MHz • Memory: 64 MB	• Processor: Pentium III @ 500 MHz (or faster) • Memory: 64 MB
• Windows XP and Windows 2000 **NOTE:** Win 2000 workstation requires Service Pack 1 (or later).	• Processor: Pentium II @ 233 MHz • Memory: 128 MB	• Processor: Pentium III @ 500 MHz (or faster) • Memory: 256 MB
Monitor Resolution	**800 x 600 with thousands of colors**	**800 x 600 with thousands of colors**
Hard Disk Drive Space	6Gigabyte available disk space	6Gigabyte available disk space
	NOTE: Free disk space is the space remaining on the disk after the operating system and all third-party applications have been installed. The History station on a peer-to-peer network requires additional free disk space; NCS Learn recommends 1 MB per student (for the student's portfolio files and workbook files, if any).	
CD-ROM and/or DVD Drive	**SOLO™* and peer-to-peer stations:** • One 4x CD-ROM drive at each station to run the courseware **Stations on server-based networks:** • One 2x (or faster) DVD drive at *one* of the stations for installing the courseware • One 2x DVD drive or one 4x CD-ROM drive for each station that is using the full-motion video option	**SOLO and peer-to-peer stations:** • One 2x DVD drive at each station to run the courseware **Stations on server-based networks:** • One 2x (or faster) DVD drive at *one* of the stations for installing the courseware • One 2x DVD drive or one 8x CD-ROM drive for each station that is using the full-motion video option
Multimedia Software	QuickTime® 5.0 required at all stations	QuickTime 5.0 (or later) required at all stations
Audio	Any Creative Labs or 100%-compatible sound card, including Sound Blaster® 16 (or 32), PCI 64, and 16-bit ViBRA series products	Any Creative Labs or 100%-compatible sound card, including Sound Blaster 16 (or 32), PCI 64, and 16-bit ViBRA series products
Printer	Optional	Any inkjet or laser printer supported by the operating system for printing documentation and reports
Special Software/Equipment	• Excel 97, 2000, or 2002 required at any teacher station running SuccessMaker graphic reports (may require additional RAM) • Desktop protection software optional • Antivirus software optional • Adobe® Acrobat® Reader® 5.0 for viewing electronic documentation	• Excel 97, 2000, or 2002 required at any teacher station running SuccessMaker graphic reports (may require additional RAM) • Desktop protection software recommended • Antivirus software recommended • Adobe Acrobat Reader 5.0 (or later) for viewing electronic documentation

* SOLO = standalone option for learning opportunities; a standalone computer running SuccessMaker software.